



# HIGHWAY WORKER KILLED!

## STRUCK BY TRUCK WHILE PICKING UP TRAFFIC CONES

*A 27-year-old laborer, Manuel H.\*, died when a pick-up truck hit him while he was picking up traffic cones on an interstate highway. Manuel was in a man-bucket attached to the rear of a traffic control truck. The pick-up truck knocked down over 300 feet of traffic cones before running into Manuel.*

### WHAT WENT WRONG?

Traffic was moving too fast.

There was nothing to protect Manuel from the pick-up truck.

The pick-up truck broke several traffic laws.

The highway was poorly lit.

### WHAT SHOULD BE DONE?

Reduce the speed limit in work zones.

Use traffic trucks with impact attenuators.

Put Highway Patrol officers near work zones.

Use artificial lighting to improve visibility.

**For a complete fatality report** of this (00CA004) or other cases, and information on the Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (FACE) Program, contact:

California Department of Health Services  
Occupational Health Branch, FACE Program  
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